

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING
INFORMAL CONFERENCES
December 3, 2008**

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting of the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing was convened at 9:15 A.M., in Hearing Room 3, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lawrence L. Logan, Citizen Member, Chairperson
Florence Jones-Clarke, R.N., M.S.

OTHERS PRESENT: Jodi P. Power, R.N., J.D., Deputy Executive Director
Mary Beth Shelton, Adjudication Specialist

**CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:** **Walter Brian Echols, R.N. 0001-119880**
Mr. Echols appeared.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 10:15 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Echols. Additionally, Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that Ms. Power and Ms. Shelton attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 10:55 A.M.

Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. Jones-Clarke moved to issue an Order to take no action at this time, contingent upon verification of Walter Echols's entry into the Health Practitioners Intervention Program within sixty days of the order being entered and thereafter remaining in compliance with the terms of the Health Practitioners Intervention Program.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Mr. Echols unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Mr. Echols within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of this conference committee shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:

Helen B. Riley, R.N. 0001-141913
Ms. Riley appeared.

Leigh Kammerer with the Health Practitioners Intervention Program was present and provided information in the matter of Ms. Riley.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 12:20 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Riley. Additionally, Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that Ms. Power and Ms. Shelton attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 12:50 P.M.

Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Jones-Clarke moved to issue an Order to take no action at this time, contingent upon verification of Helen Riley's re-entry into the Health Practitioners Intervention Program within sixty days of the entry of the order and remaining in compliance with the terms of the Health Practitioners Intervention Program.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Riley unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Riley within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of this conference committee shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:

Julia K. Cash, R.N. 0001-143044
Ms. Cash appeared.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 1:50 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Cash. Additionally, Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that Ms. Power and Ms. Shelton attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 2:25 P.M.

Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Jones-Clarke moved to issue an order to place Julia Cash on probation for two years of employment as registered nurse with terms.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Cash unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Cash within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of this conference committee shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES

SCHEDULED:

Jeffrey G. Lucas, R.N. 0001-192187

Mr. Lucas appeared, accompanied by his wife, Debbie Lucas.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 4:40 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Lucas. Additionally, Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that Ms. Power and Ms. Shelton attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 5:00 P.M.

Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Jones-Clarke moved to issue an order of reprimand to take no action at this time, contingent upon verification of Jeffrey Lucas's entry into the Health Practitioners Intervention Program within sixty days of entry of the order and remaining in compliance with the terms of the Health Practitioners Intervention Program.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Mr. Lucas unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Mr. Lucas within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of this conference committee shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:

Sallie Drake, R.N. 0001-117858
Ms. Drake appeared.

Tonya James, Compliance Case Manager, Department of Health Professions, was present and provided information to the Committee regarding Ms. Drake's compliance.

CLOSED MEETING:

Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 6:10 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Drake. Additionally, Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that Ms. Power and Ms. Shelton attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 6:25 P.M.

Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Jones-Clarke moved to issue an Order of reprimand to Sallie Drake and continue her on indefinite probation with terms as stated in the prior Board Order, for not less than one year of employment as a registered nurse

As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Drake unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Drake within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of this conference committee shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:

Lois A. Bartell, R.N. 0001-132475
Ms. Bartell appeared.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 7:15 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Bartell. Additionally, Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that Ms. Power and Ms. Mary Beth Shelton attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 7:30 P.M.

Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. Jones-Clarke moved to issue an Order of reprimand to Lois Bartell.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Bartell unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Bartell within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of this conference committee shall be vacated.

CONFERENCES SCHEDULED:

Christine M. Stolba, R.N. 0001-189081
Ms. Stolba did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 7:40 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Stolba. Additionally, Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that Ms. Power and Ms. Shelton attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 7:55 P.M.

Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. Jones-Clarke moved to offer Christine Stolba a consent order for indefinite suspension of her license in lieu of a formal hearing.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This Consent Order shall be effective upon endorsement of its findings, conclusions, and terms of consent by both Ms. Stolba and the Board.

**CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:**

Lorraine Alls, L.P.N. 0002-058778
Ms. Alls did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 8:00 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Alls. Additionally, Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that Ms. Power and Ms. Shelton attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 8:15 P.M.

Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Ms. Jones-Clarke moved to issue an Order of reprimand to Lorraine Alls.
The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

As provided by law, this decision shall become a Final Order thirty days after service of such order on Ms. Alls unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Ms. Alls within such time. If service of the order is made by mail, three additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of this conference committee shall be vacated.

**CONFERENCES
SCHEDULED:**

Tobias G. Smith, R.N. 0001-185811
Mr. Smith did not appear.

CLOSED MEETING: Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 8:25 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Mr. Smith. Additionally, Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that Ms. Power and Ms. Shelton attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

RECONVENTION:

The Committee reconvened in open session at 8:40 P.M.

Ms. Jones-Clarke moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Nursing certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

ACTION:

Ms. Jones-Clarke moved to offer Tobias Smith a consent order for indefinite suspension of his license in lieu of a formal hearing.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

This Consent Order shall be effective upon endorsement of its findings, conclusions, and terms of consent by both Mr. Smith and the Board.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Board adjourned at 8:42 P.M.

Jodi P. Power, R.N., J.D.
Deputy Executive Director